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TO: All Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING ON HYDROGEN HIGHWAY BLUEPRINT PLAN -

BLUEPRINT AND ROLLOUT STRATEGY TOPIC TEAM

The California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal EPA) staff, in partnership with industry representatives and stakeholders, will conduct a public meeting on October 7, 2004, to provide a status update and obtain public comment on the Blueprint and Rollout Strategy Topic Team components of the Hydrogen Highway Blueprint Plan.

The Blueprint and Rollout Strategy Topic Team is made up of four subgroups:

The Production subgroup is considering the question, "How can hydrogen be produced and delivered to supply the California Hydrogen Highway Network now and by 2010?". This subgroup is considering the technology options, costs, industry readiness, and societal benefits of the different methods of hydrogen production.

The Applications subgroup is considering the question, "What technologies will utilize the hydrogen being produced?". This subgroup is guided by the principle that utilization is essential to production and recognizes that there may be many applications to assist in accelerating deployment of hydrogen.

The Sites subgroup is considering the question, "Where should hydrogen stations be located?". This subgroup has established criterion for evaluating candidate sites, including energy stations.

The Commercialization subgroup is considering the question, "How can we accelerate commercialization of hydrogen technologies?". This subgroup is identifying high-priority components of successful commercialization of hydrogen.

The four subgroups will provide status updates and welcome public comment.

The meeting will be held at the following time and location, and will be Web cast:

Meeting: Blueprint and Rollout Strategy Meeting

Date: October 7, 2004 Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: California Environmental Protection Agency, Headquarters

Central Valley Hearing Room

1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA, 95812

The agenda and supporting documents for this meeting will be posted to the California Hydrogen Highways website: www.HydrogenHighway.ca.gov

The meeting is accessible to persons with disabilities. Persons with hearing or speech impairments can contact us by using our Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (916) 324-9531, or (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area.

Directions and transportation options to CalEPA may be found at: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPABIdg/location.htm. For information on the Hydrogen Highway initiative, or Governor Schwarzenegger's Executive Order, please visit www.HydrogenHighway.ca.gov. This website will be updated regularly with information applicable to this, and other Topic Team public meetings, including webcast information. If you wish to receive e-mail notification of updates on the Hydrogen Highway Blueprint Plan, please join the list serve at: http://www.hydrogenhighway.ca.gov/sub2hwy.html.

If you have any questions about the Blueprint and Rollout Strategy Topic Team meeting, please contact Dr. Matt Miyasato, by email at mmiyasato@aqmd.gov, or by phone at (909) 396-3249, or Ms. Eileen Tutt, by email at etutt@arb.ca.gov, or by phone at (916) 445-8897.